

# Alexandria Gazette.

TUESDAY EVENING, NOV. 12, 1901.

## Silence You Can See.

There is no such thing as silence in this world. It is an impossibility. That is partly the reason why science has enabled us to see it.

The explanation of the paradox is this: Silence, as we understand it, simply means that there are sounds too delicate or too loud for the ear to register. In other words, when we can't hear anything we call that condition "silence." But wherever you are there are sounds around you. Even in the deepest mine the air vibrates and makes a sound. An instrument has been invented that will catch these sounds and permit of the vibrations being represented pictorially on a screen, and in that way you may see silence and properly understand what it means.

By comparing the pictures of noises with those of that condition of things known as silence we gain an idea of the difference between a noisy night, for instance, and one when "absolute silence reigns," as the novelist puts it. It is rather surprising to find so much disturbance at the time when everything appears to be perfectly quiet—Pearson's Weekly.

## Diplomatic.

The late Lord Savile used to say, according to The Candid Friend, "that high diplomats had always to be on their guard against intriguing women, mainly Russian agents, who would use any wile to extract information. During the Russo-Turkish war, when Europe was always on the verge of a crisis and Russian statesmen were most anxious to know what England would do under given circumstances, a lady came up to him suddenly at a ball and said:

"I heard that the Russians have made a forced march and entered Constantinople," hoping no doubt that he would be surprised into some indiscreet expression.

He merely replied: "Indeed! And I suppose the sultan has conferred on them the order of the Turkish Bath?"

The lady continued gravely: "And they say in Paris that the eastern question is settled in favor of Russia." "And that," replied his excellency, "is, I suppose, the new judgment of Paris."

## Wood Too Hard to Burn.

There are certain kinds of wood that are too hard to burn, or refuse to ignite for some other reason, such as iron-wood and the good briar root, but it is a curiosity to come across a piece of common deal—the soft, light wood of which so many boxes are made—that cannot be set fire to.

The piece of wood in question was common white deal from Sweden, but was remarkable for its comparative weight. It had formed part of a boat belonging to a whaler and had been dragged below the surface of the water to the depth of more than half a mile by a harpoon whale. The length of line and the short distance from the point of descent after being struck at which the whale rose to the surface was a proof of the depth to which it had dragged the boat.

Only part of the boat came up again at the end of the line, and it was taken on board when the whale had been killed. That piece of wood was so hard that it would not burn in a gas jet. The weight of water had compressed it.—London Standard.

## Birds' Songs.

A French writer, Henri Couper, says that, notwithstanding the fact of their simplicity, the songs of birds cannot be imitated with musical instruments because of the impossibility of reproducing their peculiar timbre. The notes of birds, while corresponding with our musical scale, also include vibrations occupying the intervals between our notes. The duration of birds' songs is usually very short, two or three seconds for thrushes and chaffinches, four or five seconds for blackbirds, but from two to five minutes for the lark.

## A Salmon's Leap.

One of the directors of the Norwegian fisheries has been endeavoring to discover the height a salmon will leap when clearing a waterfall which obstructs its passage up stream. Maids were placed below the fall to insure accurate measurements. It is stated that a fish can leap to the height of twenty feet. When a fish failed to clear the fall at one bound, it remained in the falling water and then, with a rapid twist of the body, gave a spring and was successful.

## About the Limit.

"Bilkins, what is the most mortifying thing you can conceive of?" "Bilkins—I guess it's when a woman's sons having grown over the head of their father, who is of small stature, the thrifty mother has the outgrown clothes of her sons revamped for the old gentleman's use.—New York Times.

## His First Impression.

Civil Service Examiner—What do you know about Budapest? Applicant For Position on Police Force—Budapest is the name of a cat-disease. It is usually fatal!—Chicago Tribune.

## Her Age.

Judge—How old are you, madam? Witness (hesitatingly)—I am—that is, I— Judge—Out with it! The longer you wait the older you will grow.

Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup for teething babies, Full-size bottle, 10 cents. Cures Wind Colic, Diarrhoea, Loss of Sleep, Griping Pains, Sour Stomach, Fever, Cholera Infantum. Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup also promotes the digestion and soothes the baby. Sold by Richard Gibson and all druggists.

## Reliable and Gentle.

"A pill's a pill," says the saw. But there are pills and pills. You want a pill which is certain, thorough and gentle. Mustn't gripe. DeWitt's Little Early Rising pill the bill. Purely vegetable. Do not force but assist the bowels to act. Strengthen and invigorate. Small and easy to take. For sale by E. S. Leadbeater & Sons.

CLOVER HILL CREAMERY BUTTER for sale by J. C. MILBURN.

MALT BREAKFAST FOOD just received by J. C. MILBURN.

## AUCTION SALES.

By R. F. Knox, Auctioneer.

SALE OF VALUABLE FARMING PROPERTY IN THE COUNTY OF FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA.

Pursuant to a decree rendered on the 3rd day of June, 1901, in the chancery court pending in the Circuit Court of Fairfax county, Va., wherein Peter H. Watkins is complainant, and Winfield B. Watkins et al., are defendants, the undersigned will offer for sale at public auction, on

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1901, at 11 o'clock a. m., in front of Cattle Tavern, at "West End" Alexandria, Fairfax county, Va., the following desirable tracts of land, being a division of the "Strawberry Hill Farm," and belonging to the estate of the late Elizabeth A. Watkins.

FIRST: A TRACT OF LAND containing 28 97-100 acres, on the north side of the Little River Turnpike adjoining the lands of R. C. Willis and Col. Arthur Herbert, containing about 21 acres of cleared land, and the balance being excellent woodland. There are desirable building sites on this tract, a fine view of water and a good spring.

SECOND: A TRACT OF LAND, containing 84 3-10 acres, lying to the westward of the above lot, on the north side of the Little River Turnpike, and adjoining the lands of Col. Arthur Herbert, James Pearson and the Vaucluse tract. About 50 acres of this tract is cleared land, and the balance is fine woodland. There are several fine springs on this tract and a good stream of water. There are desirable building sites on this tract and a good barn capable of holding 60 tons of hay.

THIRD: A TRACT OF LAND, lying on the south side of the Little River Turnpike, containing 100 1-100 acres, improved by a good two-story, twelve-room frame house, stable, barn, and other out-buildings, and adjoining the lands of Leonard Brown and Frank Hill. This tract is all cleared land, and about 50 acres consists of fine meadowland. There are four good springs on this tract and an excellent stream of water. The southern Railway and Washington-Southern Railway have a station on this tract of land, and about 2 1/2 miles from the city of Alexandria, and is very desirable for farming, truck-gardening or dairy farming purposes.

Recent surveys have been made of this property, and the same can be seen at the office of the undersigned, at the corner of E. and G. streets, at any time prior to the sale.

TERMS OF SALE: One-third cash, and the balance in two equal installments, the deferred payments to be evidenced by the notes of the purchaser, bearing interest at six per cent. per annum, the title to be retained until the whole of the purchase money is paid, or the purchaser may, at their option, pay all cash.

Conveyancing at the cost of the purchaser.

J. K. M. NORTON, Auctioneer.

GARDNER L. BOOTH, Clerk of Sale.

I, W. F. G. Graham, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Fairfax county, Va., hereby certify that Gardner L. Booth, one of the above commissioners of sale, has given bond with approved security in accordance with the terms of the above mentioned decree.

W. F. G. GRAHAM, Clerk.

## BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

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### MEETINGS.

### NOTICE—OFFICE OF THE WASHINGTON-SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

Partly, Cameron and Fayette streets, Alexandria, Va., November 10, 1901.—A general meeting of the stockholders of this company is hereby called to be held at this office on TUESDAY, the tenth day of December, 1901, at 12 o'clock m., to approve a revision of the by-laws of the company and to transact such other business as may be properly brought before the meeting.

J. E. WINSTON, Secy Washington-Southern Ry Co.

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Alexandria, Va., October 15th, 1901.

special meeting of the stockholders of the COLONIAL LOAN AND DEPOSIT ASSOCIATION will be held at No. 125 South Fairfax street on WEDNESDAY, November 20th, at 3 p. m., to provide for amendment of the constitution, and to elect directors, to ratify all acts of the company since August 28th of last year, and for such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

CHARLES T. PHILLIPS, President.

CLAUDIA LOOSCOE, Secy.

Holding more than one-tenth of the capital stock.

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## TELEPHONE EXCHANGES.

### SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

WYTHE WHITE, Manager.

10 Adams Express Co.

109 Agnew, Park

148 Alchison, J. & H.

79 Alchison, J. & H.

85 Alchison, J. & H.

105 Alexandria Driving Park

94 Alexandria Bottling Co.

120 Alexandria Bottling Co.

154 Alexandria Bottling Co.

7 Alexandria Gasette

99 Alexandria Tin

115 Alexandria Infirmary

115 Allen, E. L.

107 Alexandria Brick Company

46 Armistead & Co.

1015 Andrews, E. M.

10222 Apple, Geo. H.

11229 Armstrong & Marbury

1041 Brill, J.

10233 Bader, Henry

118 Baker, H. J.

118 Balleger & Bro

158 Barley, Louis C, atty-at-law 127 S. Royal.

159 Barley, Louis C, residence 117 N. Royal.

86a Bell, Son, Robt

30 Bernheimer, S. J.

63 Benheim, D. & S.

1014 Bitter, J. H. Dr.

374 Bohrer, J. C.

958 Booth, Gardner L, office

1052 Booth, Gardner L, residence

928 Brent, S. G, office

42a Brooks, W. M, residence

928 Brooks, W. M, residence

25a Brockett, A. D. & Co

127 Bryant, Herbert, office

82 Bryant, Herbert, residence

146 Bickman, A. J.

131 Bloch, H.

62 Burke & Herbert

123 Burroughs, T. F.

159 Business Men's League

1025 Coker, J. C.

429 Carlin, C. C, office

116 Carlin, C. C, residence

72 Caton, James K.

107 Carter Bros

974 Carter, Son, Jas F & Co

155 Carlin, Mrs M J

136 Carter & Fygon

90 Central Office (pay station)

90 Central Office Telephone Exchange

90 Citizens National Bank

90 City Treasurer

81 Corporation Court

22a Creighton, W. F. & Co

22b Creighton, W. F. & Co

10514 Crupper, Joseph L

53a Curtin & Butts

1061 Cutler, Rev H J

1064 Dabney, Jas H

117 Daingerfield, E. L.

1024 Daingerfield, E. L.

1115 Deavers, A. J.

74a Demaine, W. H.

1076 Delaney, Dr.

974 Druffin, J. C.

125a Eichberg, Isaac

106 Evening Star Bureau

1021 Eichberg, Isaac

29 Emmert, J. W. & Co

139 Episcopal High School

104 Episcopical High School

132 Fannon, T. J.

32 Field & Co, H. K.

27a Fisher Brothers

155 First National Bank

137 Fleischmann Hotel

56a Fleischmann Hotel

150a Fleischmann Hotel

137a Gibson, Richard

1138a Gibson, Emily M Miss, residence 700 Duke

1152 Griffin, Mrs Ella V

1133 Gibson, Dr Wm

1064a Gorman, Dr E A

107 Green, Dr Louis S

1016 Griffin, W. H.

59 Hammond, J. W. & Sons

28 Harlow, M. B. & Co

138a Havenner Baking Co.

85a Hawley Brothers

43 Harper, F. S.

75a Helmut Brothers

60a Hill, J. M.

50 Hill, J. M. & Co

1065 Hill, Frank M

1081 Hill, Son, Jas

153a Hoff, Chas E

108a Howard, Clifton T

154a Janney, P.

1024a Janney, Miss E M

67 Lindsey, N. Residence

9 Leadbeater & Sons

1011a Lindsey, N. Braddock High

128 Marshall, J. A.

9 May, W. H. & Son

181 Milburn, J. C.

99 May, J. W. Residence

168a Matter, E. P, electrician.

55 Marbury & Armstrong

55 Marbury, Leonard, Residence

116 Norfolk & Washington Steamboat Co

137a Neale, J. Stanley

97 Norton, J. M.

108 O'Sullivan, W. B.

125 Pullman, P. & Co, Wood & Coal Yard

63 Pollard, F. J.

85 Pullman, P. & Co, Main Store

198 Pullman, P. & Co, Branch Store

49 Porter, Robert

34 Postoffice

14 Police Headquarters

103 Postal Telegraph Co

33 Pennsylvania R R Co

112 Pelton, C. C.

135 People's Bakery

Porter, Robert, Manassas

185 Power, T. F, Supl Water Co West End

42 Pettit, J. M, jr, fruit

85 Quinn, Edward

8 Ramsey, G. W.

50 Beardon, Wm M

105 Relief Truck House

93 Robertson, H. F.

80 Roberts, Walter, Residence, West End

140 Roberts, J. W, West End

83 Rammel, A.

183 Simpson's Sons, H. L.

71 Smoot, C. C. Sons & Co, Tannery

90 Smoot, C. C. Sons & Co, Warehouse

92 Smith, E. B.

97 Smoot, W. A. & Co

98 Smith, Francis L.

121 Smoot, Dr R. M, Seminary Hill

151a Smoot, J. C, Residence

152 Smoot, Jas B & Co

2 Southern Railway Company (W & O)

13 Southern Railway Company (V M)

42 Simpson, H. A.

3 Standard Oil Co

161 Schuler Beef Co

182 Simpson, Geo L,